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In re Application of:
Julie J. Hand, et al
Serial No: 09/966,568 On Petition
Filing Date: September 27, 2001
For: DISPOSABLE REMOTE ZERO HEADSPACE EXTRACTOR

In response to the petitions received May 1, 2002, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above application.

The petition is Granted.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply with the meaning of 37 C.D.R 1.113 in a timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed December 22, 2001. Which set forth a shortened statutory period for reply of two months. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned February 23, 2002. The notice of abandonment was mailed on November 21, 2003.

The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners did not receive the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Papers in a timely matter. Due to the anthrax contamination.

The office regrets any inconvenience this may have caused the client.

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